

DESCRIPTIONS OF SEVEN NEW SPECIES AND SUB-
SPECIES OF BIRDS FROM TROPICAL AMERICA

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The following new forms are included in Part IV of *Birds of North and Middle America*, now in course of preparation by the United States National Museum, and are published in advance of that volume, the appearance of which cannot be expected during the present year.

1. **MYADESTES GENIBARBUS CHERRIEI** new subspecies

Similar to *M. g. sanctæ-luciæ* but under parts paler, white on lateral rectrices less extended, and eighth primary more attenuate and falcate at tip.

Mountains of eastern portion of island of Haiti (Santo Domingo).

Type, No. 655, Field Columbian Museum, adult male, Catare, Santo Domingo, February 5, 1895; Geo. K. Cherrie, collector.

2. **CATHARUS FUSCATER SANCTÆ-MARTÆ**, new subspecies

Similar to *C. f. hellmayri* Berlepsch, but gray of throat quite uniform with that of chest, and under tail-coverts clear slate-gray or mouse-gray, like color of sides and flanks, instead of dull brownish buff or wood-brown.

Santa Marta district of Colombia.

Type, No. 8,797, coll. Carnegie Museum; Elheibano, Colombia, April 22, 1899; Mrs. H. H. Smith; adult male.

3. **CICHLHERMINIA CORYI**, new species

Differing from all other forms of the genus in having very large, broad, roundish ovate spots of white on chest, the brown margins of these feathers darker.

Locality unknown, but supposed to be island of Martinique, Lesser Antilles.

Type, No. 3,618 Lafresnaye collection, in coll. Boston Soc. Nat. Hist.

4. **CINCLOCERTHIA RUFICAUDA TENEBROSA**, new subspecies

Similar in size to *C. r. ruficauda* (of Dominica) but much darker above, the pileum deep sooty gray, back sooty brown, remiges and rectrices chestnut-brown; chest more strongly and extensively grayish.

Island of St. Vincent, Lesser Antilles.

Type, No. 74,060, coll. U. S. Nat. Mus., adult male; St. Vincent, Lesser Antilles, February 8, 1878; F. A. Ober.

5. **CINCLOCERTHIA RUFICAUDA PAVIDA**, new subspecies

Similar in coloration to *C. r. ruficauda* but much larger (adult male averaging wing 101.9, tail 91.3, exposed culmen 30.1, tarsus 30.5; adult female, wing 96.5, tail 83, exposed culmen 36, tarsus 30.2).¹ Size of *C. r. tremula* (of Guadeloupe), but coloration much paler.

Islands of St. Christopher, St. Eustatius, Saba, Montserrat, Nevis, and Barbuda, Lesser Antilles.

Type, No. 80,925, coll. U. S. Nat. Mus., St. Christopher, Lesser Antilles; F. A. Ober.

6. **MIMUS GILVUS GUATEMALENSIS**, new subspecies

Similar to *M. g. columbianus* (Cabanis) but outer webs of primaries white basally, forming a distinct patch beneath the primary coverts (sometimes partly exposed beyond tips of the latter); gray of upper parts slightly browner; wings and tail decidedly blacker, the middle (as well as greater) wing-coverts abruptly tipped with white;² white of under parts less pure, the chest pale buffy grayish, the flanks and under tail-coverts more strongly buffy.

Highlands of Guatemala and Chiapas and adjacent parts of Tabasco and southern Vera Cruz (Coatzacoalcos).

Type, No. 150,906, coll. U. S. Nat. Mus., adult male; Capetillo, Department of Suchit pequez, southern Guatemala, November 18, 1890; Heyde and Lux.

7. **MIMUS GILVUS TOLIMENSIS**, new subspecies

Similar to *M. g. columbianus* but much larger, and with whole of loreal and subocular regions and most of auricular region dusky.

Adult (male ?).—Length (skin), 253 mm.; wing, 128; tail, 140; exposed culmen, 22; tarsus, 35; middle toe, 25.5.³

Southwest-central Colombia, in State of Tolima.

Type, No. 35,356, coll. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila.; Plain of Tolima, Colombia; Detwiller collection.

¹ Corresponding measurements of *C. r. ruficauda* (confined to the island of Dominica) are: Adult male: Wing, 94.6; tail, 79.5; exposed culmen, 28.2; tarsus, 28.4. Adult female: Wing, 90.7; tail 76.5; exposed culmen, 32.2; tarsus, 28. (Measurements in millimeters.)

² Except in much worn "midsummer" plumage.

³ The maximum and average measurements (the latter in parentheses) of six adult males of *M. g. columbianus* from the State of Santa Marta are as follows: Length (skins), 245 (231); wing, 118.5 (113.7); tail, 122 (116); exposed culmen, 20.5 (19); tarsus, 35.5 (34.2); middle toe, 23 (21.6).